

Combined Services Circular Letter : 01/2026

My No : PA/CS/POLICY/මපාදු
Ministry of Public Administration,
Provincial Councils and Local
Government Independence Square,
Colombo 07.

12.03.2026

Secretaries of Ministries
Heads of Departments
District Secretaries

The course related to the exemption of officers in Grade I of the Management Service Officers' Service from the Efficiency Bar Examination.

According to the Minute of the Management Service Officers' Service, published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1840/34 dated 11.12.2013, officers of the Management Service Officers' Service must pass the Efficiency Bar Examination prescribed for Grade I within 05 years from the date of promotion to that Grade.

02. Accordingly, please be notified that it has been informed by the letter of the Secretary of the Public Service Commission No. PSC/APP/4/62/2018 dated 03.03.2026 that the Commission has decided to extend the concessionary period, which was previously granted until 31.12.2023 by Combined Services Circular Letter No. 01/2024 for officers who have already completed 05 years of service in Grade I but lost salary increments due to the inability to pass the efficiency bar examination prescribed for Grade I, up to 31.12.2025.

03. Furthermore, I kindly inform you to take the necessary actions to conduct the aforementioned training program, giving priority to officers who have completed 05 years of service in Grade I as of 31.12.2025.

Sgd./ N.U. Nishan Mendis
Director General of Combined Services